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My dear Mr. Garrison

You were wiser and more hopeful than I. Public sentiment is grandly reviving on the question of human-rights at the South; more universally than I had dared to hope. Rebel-rule is postponed for four years if not forever; and a Republican victory in 1880 on the platform which Mr. Hayes abandoned will give us free suffrage at the South. We are not working to secure the exercise of the ballot to an inert and indifferent mass of voters. The negroes may be relied on, it seems, to press steadily forward to the 'ballot-box; and their own force and a revived northern sentiment is going to give us the victory.

We could not have carried N. H.
without the thorough rousing against the
Hayes policy which we gave our radical
people. In my own fight for that
purpose I have been encouraged and aided
immeasurably by your steadfast
and unqualified support. Allow
me again to thank you for it,
and to congratulate you upon the
evidences you have recently received
of the appreciation of your
character and work by the members
of your old craft and that you
have lived to see your hearts desires
so nearly accomplished.

Very Respectfully
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